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For:

Removable Receptacle for Use

on an Offshore Structure

Examiner: John J. Kreck

## AMENDMENT TRANSMITED WITH DECLARATION

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

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